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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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FOR: GAS GENERATOR :

ELECTION

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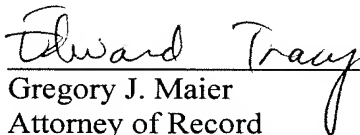
SIR:

In response to the outstanding Office Communication dated August 6, 2007,  
Applicants elect without traverse the invention of Species B (Figs. 5 and 6), which reads  
upon Claims 9, 19 and 20. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that  
Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover  
non-elected claims.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that Claims 9, 19, and 20 be examined on the  
merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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